

Colorado has passed a new law for all

property owners in an HOA

Action required!! Please see page 7 for details...





ASSOCIATION NEWS

DECEMBER HERALD DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 15, 2024

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ACC/Design Review; Covenant Review Taskforce Swim Team, Social Committee

All committee meetings are open to residents.

REPORTS TO THE ASSOCIATION When an Association member wishes to report observed problems or any concerns or helpful ideas pertaining to the assigned areas of responsibility of the Architectural Control Committee, Landscape, Pools, or Business Office, please include your name and telephone number when you call and leave a message so that we may return your call. The Association does not act on anonymous calls.

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS 5896 E. Geddes Ave.

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm Phone: 303-793-0230

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BOARD MEETING

The next regular Board of Directors meeting for community input and manager's reports will be

Monday, November 11, 2024 Business Office, 6:30 pm

BOARD MEETING MINUTES: In an effort to provide timely Board information to the Membership, <u>UNOFFICIAL MINUTES</u> of each Board meeting will be published in the next issue of the Herald. Official, approved copies of all Minutes will be on file and available at the Business Office.

MOVING FROM HOMESTEAD? If you move from Homestead and retain ownership of your home, it is your responsibility to pay the Homeowners dues. Remember: Please notify the Business office of your new address. Dues are always due March 1st. If you are a <u>Renter</u>, you should forward all notices to the Homeowner.

THE HOMESTEAD HERALD is published monthly for residents of Homestead in the Willows. The Business Office is located at 5896 E. Geddes Ave., (West Pool House) Centennial, CO 80112. News items or advertisements must be submitted by the <u>15th of the month prior to publication</u>. Email businessmgr@homesteadinthewillows.org. Call 303-793-0230 for commercial rates, ad sizes or other information.

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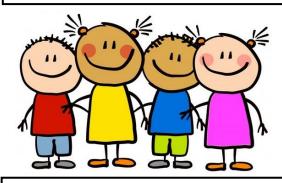
Waste Connections	303-288-2100			
(HOA Trash Co.—Pick-up day is Wednesday)				
www.wasteconnections	.com			
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¹ / ₂ page (6"x 3 ¹ / ₂ ")	\$ 105.00
Full Page (6 "x 7½")	\$185.00

Deadline is the 15th of each month preceding

publication. All display ads must be high resolution jpeg, png or tif files. Photographs to be used must be half tone. Ad's may be emailed to businessmgr@homesteadinthewillows.org. Include text ads in the body of your email. **Pay for three months at the time you place the ad and you will receive the 4th month free.**

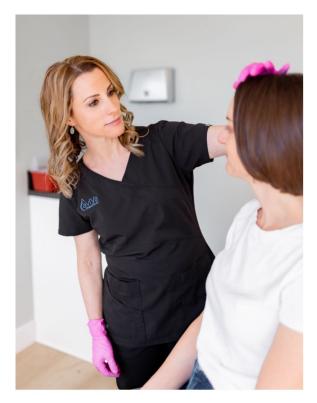


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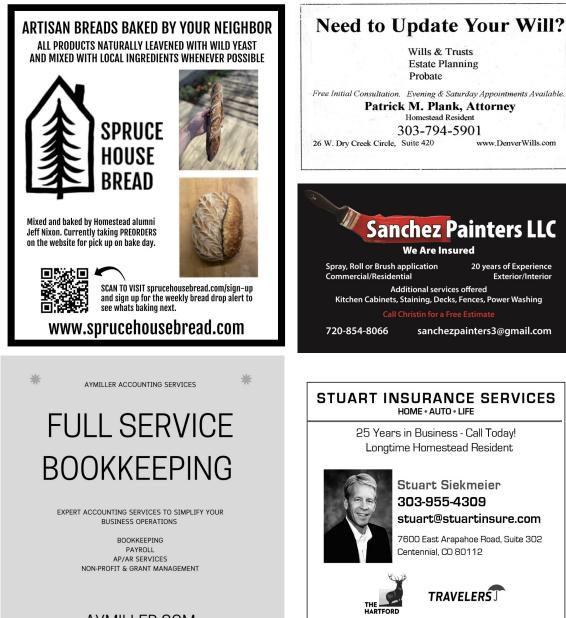




ARCHITECTUAL CONTROL COMMITTEE (ACC)



- Before making any visible exterior change to your home or property, you **must** submit an Application for Architectural Change to the HOA for review and approval by the Architectural Control Committee.
- ACC has 30 days to review a completed application. Do not schedule work or order materials until you have received approval for your project. Anything not expressly approved is deemed DENIED.
- When submitting an application current pictures of your home are required, to provide the ACC a visual of your space and project. Please ensure pictures are clear and show the entire project area.
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Notice to All HOA Members

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Why This Information is Needed:

• To comply with the procedural requirements mandated by HB24-1233.

Action Required: Please submit your current email address and cellular phone number to the Business Office by December 1, 2024. You can do this by:

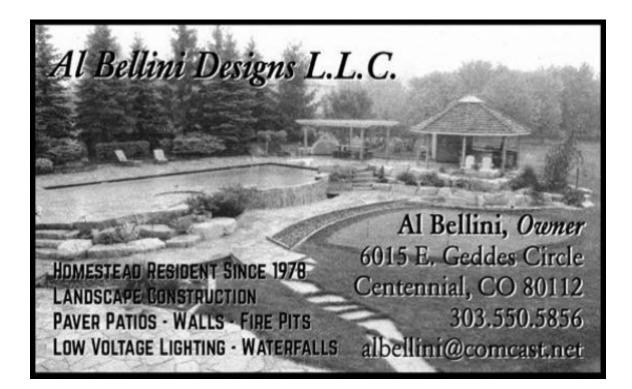
- Using the form below or found on page 7 of the November Homestead Herald.
- Emailing the information to businessmgr@homesteadinthewillows.org

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us maintain a well-informed and connected community. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the Business Office at 303-793-0230.

Property Address:
Owner Name:
Owner Email:
Owner Cellular Number:
Owner 2 Name:
Owner 2 Email:
Owner 2 Cellular Number:

Initial if you are interested in having your contact information published in the Homestead Directory Booklet (excludes email addresses) and give your permission for the above information to be published in a directory distributed to all Homestead Residents. Your information will not be included if you don't initial.

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11th ANNUAL HOMESTEAD COMMUNITY TURKEY TROT

Thanksgiving Day 9:30 a.m.

Come join us for our Annual fun walk/run on Thanksgiving Day.

Race starts at 9:30.a.m.

Bring the kids, pets, family members, etc. and meet in the back parking lot of Homestead Elementary.

We will have a mapped out 2 or 4-mile course.

In the spirit of being thankful, we have decided that this year's race donations will go to Food Bank of the Rockies.

If you are interested in making a donation (of any amount), please bring a check made out to Food Bank of the Rockies.

Turkey Trot Committee – Kathleen Goldy, Ginny Karlberg, Betsy Vena and Susan Wist



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Barking Dogs	Arapahoe County Animal Control	303-325-8070
Hazardous Waste Pick-up		1-800-449-7587
Graffiti		303-795-4711
Div. of Wildlife -Coyotes		303-291-7227
Street Light Problems	odlighting	@xcelenergy.com
Residence Sewer back ups	South Gate Water & Sanitation	303-779-0261
Sprinkler malfunction on HOA property Waterketch		303-660-8360
Water pipe breaks at your residence 303-770-		

Landscape Logic

By Nancy Bauer



Now's the time to finish up the last outside garden details before moving your gardening indoors. November is a good time to buy a bunch of flower bulbs and use them for forcing blooms inside. Flowers like tulips, crocus, hyacinth, daffodil, paper whites and amaryllis provide added color over winter.

Here are a few other gardening ideas to keep you busy this month:

•Scoop up any remaining pumpkins, colorful squashes and decorative gourds for decorating the Thanksgiving table. Get the kids involved in making a scarecrow to fill in the vegetable garden.

•**Pull carrots, beets, turnips,** and other root vegetables after the first killing frost. After vines die, harvest winter squashes and dig up potatoes. Give potatoes time for the skin to harden (cure) in a dark place for a week before storing them for winter.

•**Take time to add compost**, dry fertilizer, manure and other organic material to the vegetable bed to prepare it for next season. If you've always wanted to plant a strawberry patch, now's the time to get the planting bed ready for spring planting!

•Buy a roll or two of tree wrap and take time to wrap the trunks of young deciduous trees to protect them from harsh winter sun and wind.

•In November and December, when conditions are dry and daytime temperatures are over 40 degrees, it's a good idea to water your lawn and ground cover areas, pansies, and newly planted trees and shrubs. Remember, most established trees do not need extra water except in very exposed areas.

•Empty clay or ceramic pots that you keep outside or in a cold location during the winter of soil. This soil if left, may freeze and expand and crack the pot. However, keep the soil to use to fill the bottom of large planters next year. That way you won't need as much soil!

•**Refresh weatherproof containers** with twisted branches, twigs, leaves, pinecones and other garden remnants to create an attractive seasonal display.

Shop the garden centers sales for items you know you'll need next spring. You'll be glad you stocked up on tools, hoses, fertilizers, and seeds when planting time rolls around again.

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And if you are still looking for more chores to do....

If the ground is not frozen, you can still plant bulbs. (They may bloom a little later than those planted in September or October but they will still bloom)

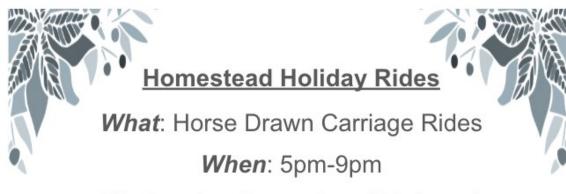
Cut back perennials from last year so they will bloom better. It is important to cut back perennials now. If the foliage is diseased, it will not only re-infect the plant next season, but it also could spread the disease to other plants as well. With a sharp pair of pruners, remove dead plant material all the way to the crown. Remove or compost debris.

Sow seeds of perennials that need cold treatment, such as alliums, gentians, monkshood, primulas, and alpine plants. Sow in flats and move them outside to a shady location, or sow directly in an empty bed outside. Cover with pine boughs.

Brush heavy snow off tree and shrub limbs to protect them.

After the holidays, chop the branches off your Christmas tree and lay them over bulb beds and perennial gardens. The added insulation helps protect plants against fluctuating soil temperatures and early warm-up.





Wednesday, December 18th (west)

Sunday, December 22nd (north)

rides leave every 20 minutes as listed on the form

Where: West Pool & North Pool

Cost: \$10 per person (3 & under free)



reservations required





2024 Homestead Holiday Rides Horse Drawn Carriage Rides Reservation Form

First & Last Name _____

Street Address ______ Phone _____ Email_____ # of Tickets(\$10 each) _____ # of Children 0-3 (free)_____ We will combine families to total 14 riders. Rides leave every 20 minutes.

Place numbers 1st, 2nd, & 3rd next to your preferred DAY/TIME choices. DAY 1 (Wednesday, December 18th)West Pool Lot

5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00
5:20	6:20	7:20	8:20
5:40	6:40	7:40	8:40

DAY 2 (Sunday, December 22nd)North Pool Lot

5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00
5:20	6:20	7:20	8:20
5:40	6:40	7:40	8:40

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM W/ A CHECK PAYABLE TO: Homestead HOA DROP @ HOA office (5896 E Geddes Ave) <u>RESERVATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BEFORE</u> <u>SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th @ 8:00am.</u>

NOTE: RESERVATIONS REQUIRED; NOT ACCEPTED BEFORE 12/07 @ 8AM!

→As you deposit your form & payment, please write your name & drop time on the sign-up to note the order in which it was received.

We will take reservations until the rides are full and try to accommodate as many families as possible. If there is bad weather, you will get an email (& post on HOA social media) of the cancellation & refund process.

<u>**In the event that you cannot make your ride spot, YOU MUST find someone</u> <u>to fill your spot; REFUNDS are UNAVAILABLE.**</u>





Become a coach for the 2025 season and have a swim-tastic summer!!

We are looking for coaches who will be enthusiastic teachers and role models for our neighborhood swimmers. If you would like to be a coach, submit your application now to be considered for an interview over the holiday break in early January.

Please contact Penni George via email: penni.m.george@gmail.com for more information and to submit your resume. Submission dead-line is **December 15, 2024**.

Your 2025 Swim Team Parent Representatives, Penni George, Helen Kaptain, Geniella Lester and Nevienne Manning

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	1	2 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS	Social Highlights: 11th Annual Community Turkey Trot • November 28 - 9:30am • Start: Homestead Elementary Back Parking Lot
7	8	9	 2 and 4 mile loops Holiday Carriage Rides (coming soon) December 18 - West Side December 22 - North Side Check Herald Ad for info
14	15	16	NOTES Join the Social Committee: We need new members! Email if interested: Socialcommitteehomestead@gmail.com
21	22	23	Homestead Playgroups - join the fun! Contact: homesteadplaygroup@gmail.com Connect with us: Website: Homesteadinthewillows.org Facebook: Homestead in the Willows HOA
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HOMESTEAD IN THE WILLOWS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Regular Board Meeting October 14, 2024 - Unofficial Minutes

THREE TAKEAWAYS:

- 1. Colorado HB24-1233 requires the HOA to have an email address and cellular phone number on file for every property. Look for the form in the November Herald and submit your information even if you think the HOA already has it!
- 2. Homestead's 50th birthday celebration will be held on September 13. Follow the Herald for information and updates.
- 3. The Board of Directors needs one new Member in 2025. Your home may be your largest asset. Be a part of the governing body who influences your home's value!

CALL TO ORDER: President, James Keating called the meeting to order at 5:35pm. Present were Vice President, Michael Garnsey; Secretary, Ginny Karlberg, Treasurer, Steve Bell, Business Manager, Katie Kidwell; ACC Manager, Emily Maxfield; Landscape Manager, Nancy Bauer; Tennis Manager, Jill Ellsworth; Social Committee Co-Chair, Kelly Kane; and Swim Team Parent Rep, Nevienne Manning. Member at Large, Robb Origer attended the meeting via Zoom.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SWIM TEAM: Nevienne reported that Swim Team was currently looking for coaches for the 2025 season and would post an article in the November Homestead Herald. The Hurricanes plan to upgrade the sound system. Robb suggested a wireless system and Nevienne will find out if the system needs to be wired or if a wireless system could work. Homestead will host the 7–8-year-old prelims next summer for RMSL during the week of July 7.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: The Social Committee submitted their proposed budget to the Board and announced plans to host a 50th Birthday Celebration for Homestead tentatively scheduled for September 13, 2025. The Event will include a variety of activities including tennis, swimming, memorabilia, live music, and food. Homeowners should watch the Homestead Herald for information. The committee co-chairs are still seeking replacements when they step down in December after six years of service. If you love the social events the Homestead community enjoys, please consider volunteering to chair this valuable committee.

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MANAGER REPORTS:

POOL: Front Range Recreation submitted a written report and their proposed 2025 budget.

LANDSCAPE: Manager Nancy Bauer reviewed her 2025 operating budget and suggested items to be funded from the Reserve Fund with the Board. The grounds maintenance and irrigation contract are both up for renewal and Nancy presented the new contracts as well.

TENNIS: Manger Jill Ellsworth presented her proposed 2025 Budget noting that the tennis community in Homestead has grown to the extent that two teams must now play out of South Suburban because Homestead does not have enough courts to accommodate all the teams who want to play.

ACC: Manger Emily Maxfield and the Board discussed a recent home improvement that the board agreed was unacceptable and what the Board wanted the ACC to require. Emily is waiting for clarification from the HOA attorney about the new Xeriscape Policy

BUSINESS: Katie reported on collections, fence payments, and the impact of recent legislation affecting HOA's. Board members must now register their information under the Corporate Transparency Act and the Board's collection policy was updated to comply with HB24-1233 and 1337. Because of new notification requirements in HB24-1233 the HOA is required to have on file an email address and a mobile phone number for every property. A notice will be placed in the Herald directing Homeowners to supply this information the Business Office. Some Homestead Herald advertisers would like to pay their advertising invoices online. The Board and Katie discussed adding advertisers to the PayHOA platform so that owners could pay there. The Board also agreed it was time to raise advertising rates, which had not been increased since 2022. Katie reviewed her budget and Reserve fund requests with the Board noting the increased number of administrative hours required to provide the service homeowners expect, monitor the social media and billing platforms. She also noted the cement decking at the pools need replacement and reviewed the proposals she had received with the Board. The Waste Connections trash contract expires in March 2025 and Katie has requested a new contract from Waste Connections for the Board to review.

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FINANCIAL REPORT: Treasurer, Steve Bell, will review the submitted budgets and report back to the Board members. The Board also discussed the cost of the accountants hired to help with the fence accounting when the previous bookkeeper retired.

HOMEOWNER COMMENTS: There were no homeowner comments.

OLD BUSINESS: The Xeriscape Policy is still being discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: Katie reminded the Board that one new member was needed by March 1, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT AND CALENDARING: The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm. The next regular Board Meeting will be on Monday, November 11 at 6:30pm at the Business Office.



ACC MINUTES



- The ACC revisited an application to expand a current deck across the back of the home. The ACC approved the overall project, but requests the homeowner keep the 3rd level deck tiered to keep depth dimension on the back of the home.
- Upon final inspection of exterior paint on a home, the ACC decided that the results look like a white-washed treatment as opposed to traditional opaque painted brick. The homeowner claims that he painted the brick as approved, not stained. The ACC will request the homeowner provide more information.
- Upon final inspection of replaced siding on a home, it was determined that the homeowners used siding as trim pieces, and also made changes to their garage and windows without approval. The resulting aesthetic is not approved.
- The ACC discussed a homeowner concern that grids in windows are less energy efficient. The ACC decided that there is enough evidence to support that the impact is small compared to other benefits and the overall aesthetic that grids provide.
- Shutters Timberlane (one of the vendors on our approved shutters list) has some shutters that are only warrantied if they have metal caps. The caps can be painted to match the shutter, so they will be approved so long as they are painted. The ACC will not allow the caps to remain silver or copper metal.
- EV charging stations The ACC voted and decided that all EV charging stations must be installed inside the garage. They may not be on the outside of a home. The Residential Improvement Guidelines will be updated to reflect this addition.



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HOA Reminder

Snow Removal on Community Greenbelts and Sidewalks



Effective 2023-2024, the HOA will provide a limited amount of snow removal on the community greenbelt paths and some sidewalks. Snow will be cleared from these areas after an accumulation of 3 inches and the snow has stopped. Homeowners are reminded that just because a path is cleared of snow it is not a guarantee of safe passage.

From the October 2023 Board Meeting Minutes in the November 2023 Homestead Herald:

"Snow and ice removal was initiated in a trial last winter and was received with much appreciation from many homeowners. The Board continues to acknowledge that not all residents believe snow removal is necessary, but the majority of feedback is in favor of snow removal. As was discussed at the annual meeting, a community vote is not required to commence snow removal. The neighborhood foliage has changed significantly with mature trees shading many sidewalk areas, especially the major thruway of Easter. Once a major snow is not cleared, significant areas that never get sun remain snow- and ice-packed for the remainder of the winter. Homestead has many walkers of all ages, many of whom resort to walking in the street when the sidewalks are icy. This is extremely dangerous. The Board has fully researched all legal issues and accepted the legal recommendation to regularly remind homeowners that just because a path is cleared of snow, it is not a guarantee of safe passage. The Board agreed to accept the Snowology snow removal contract for 2023-24."

Per the City of Centennial - "in the interest of public safety and the absence of a City ordinance, the City strongly encourages citizens to remove snow from the sidewalks adjoining their property within 24 hours after a snowstorm ends. "

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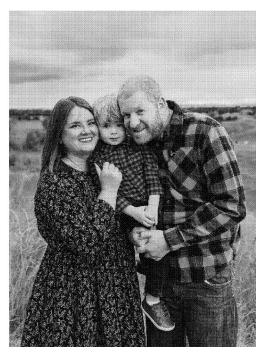
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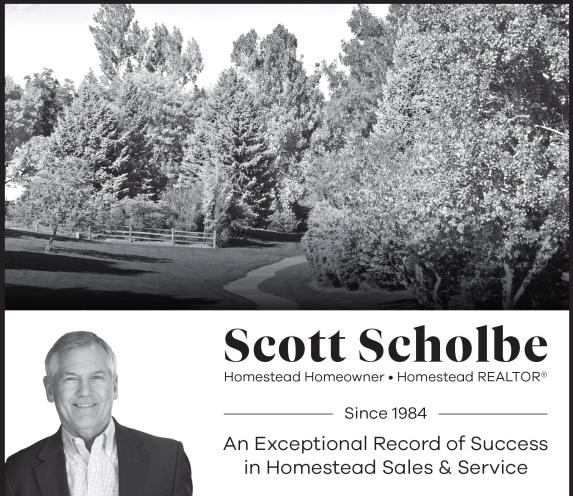
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